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New Traffic Pattern, Ramp Closures Tonight on the Eastbound Kennedy Expressway

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced that a new traffic pattern will take place tonight on the eastbound Kennedy Expressway (Interstate 90), in Chicago. The closures are part of the ongoing improvements on Interstate 90 from Cumberland Avenue to Harlem Avenue.

Beginning the evening of Wednesday, Aug. 23, the following closures will take place:

- All lanes on the eastbound Kennedy Expressway will be shifted to the left between Cumberland Avenue and Harlem Avenue. Both shoulders also will be closed along the corridor.
- The Canfield Road entrance ramp to the eastbound Kennedy Expressway will be closed. A posted detour will direct motorists to access the eastbound Kennedy Expressway from the Harlem Avenue entrance ramp.

Beginning Wednesday, Aug. 30, westbound Higgins Avenue (Illinois 72) will be closed from Harlem Avenue to Oriole Avenue. Westbound Higgins Avenue traffic should go north on Harlem Avenue and west on Bryn Mawr to meet back up with Higgins Avenue. Parking restrictions will take place on Higgins Avenue and Bryn Mawr while construction activities are taking place.

The road and ramp closures are expected to reopen by Winter 2017.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Click <u>here</u> to find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at www.travelmidwest.com